SHOOTS DOWN ARTIST

F. Von Iterson Slain at National Museum.

FIRES FOUR RIFLE BULLETS

Victim Dies Almost Instantly, and His Assailant, Otto Seelhorst, Is Placed Under Arrest—The Prisoner Makes Rambling Statement, Declaring He Revenged Wrong.

In revenge for what he claims to have been a terrible wrong done him in his boyhood, Otto Seelhorst, of Philadelphia, shot and killed F. Von Iterson at the National Museum yesterday morning. Von Iterson was at his desk working on some scientific drawings of mannals, for which he had been recently employed by the museum authorities, when Seelhorst entered and shortly afterward sent four bullets into the artist's body from a small caliber repeating rifle.

Von Iterson died almost immediately. There were no eye-witnesses to the shooting, but hearing the shots, the employes in the building rushed into the room and found Seelhorst standing quietly near the prostrate form of the dead man. Seelhorst made no effort to escape, and when the police arrived went quietly to the Fourth precinct station, where he gave Capt. Matthews a written statement, which the prisoner said would explain his motive for killing Von Iterson.

The statement was rambling and incoherent, and was apparently the work of an unbalanced brain. In his statement, Seelhorst referred to the teachings of his mother when he was a boy, and intimated that his life had been ruined by some man. When questioned, Seelhorst told the police that Von Iterson was the man referred to.

Wronged Years Ago.

Seelhorst stated that Von Iterson had wronged him fifteen years ago, and that the memory of the incident had so preyed upon his mind that he determined to find Von Iterson and kill him. Learning that Von Iterson had left Philadelphia and come to Washington, Seelhorst came to this city Tuesday afternoon and made inquiry regarding the whereabouts of his former friend. He traced him to the museum, where he went with his rifle taken apart and wrapped in paper.

In answer to his inquiries at the museum, Seelhorst was directed to the division of mammals, where he found Von Iterson at work. Just what happened in the room no one knows, but a few moments after the four shots from the rifle were heard.

Von Iterson had been in Washington a little over a year, and at the time of his death was living at 436½ H street northwest. His landlord told the police that he had known the man for some time, and that he had appeared to be a man of model character. This opinion was coincided in by the museum authorities and Andrew B. Graham, at whose lithographing establishment Von Iterson had been previously employed.

Was Clever Artist.

Von Iterson is said to have been an artist of exceptional ability in his particular line, and among his effects were some cards bearing his name and stating that he was an artist to the Wistar Institute of Anatomy in Philadelphia. A printed list of "patrons," consisting of the principal museums, universities, and scientific societies in this country and Europe, is also on the card.

Seelhorst gave his address as 2927 Poplar avenue, Philadelphia. The coroner's inquest will be held to-day, and Seelhorst will be called upon to make an additional statement regarding the causes that led up to the shooting.

Do Not Know von Iteson.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Philadelphia, Jan. 16.—Prostrated by the news that her brother had shot and killed a man in Washington, Otto Seelhorst's sister, at her home to-day, declared that she had never heard of her brother's victim, E. F. von Iteson, and that it was utterly impossible for her to account for any motive which might have prompted the crime.

"Otto was always very popular," she said, "and I did not know he ever had an enemy. How he got into trouble with this man is more than I can imagine, but I am sure that von Iteson must have done something terrible before Otto would shoot him. My brother has worked for an engraving firm at Fourth and Arch streets for the past eighteen years as an artist, and they have always found him reliable. When he left home on Tuesday, he said he was going to Washington to deliver some pictures for the firm, and that is all we know of his trip.

"As for this man von Iteson, I have never heard of him, and my brother has never spoken of having trouble with any one. Sometime ago he had nervous prostration and he was in a sanatorium nine months last year, under treatment until October. He has never seemed quite so jolly since, and has often been downhearted. From this we supposed he had had trouble with some one, but he never mentioned it to us."

Otto Seelhorst lived with his mother and sister at 2927 Poplar street. He will be thirty-three years old to-morrow, and has never married. Miss Seelhorst notified her brother, Julius Seelhorst, of 42 Alberta street, Camden, and he will go to Washington to-morrow to look into his brother's trouble.

FLAYS RAILROAD MAGNATES

London Times Says They Work Only to Own Advantage.

Declares American Public Has to Pay Tolls for Big Deals Put Through by Millionaires.

London, Jan. 16.—The Times, in the course of a severe indictment of American railway management, says it is clear that there are a few men in the United States who can make any railway, however large, show any kind of result that may suit their plans and speculations for the moment. If they want to get more ample control than they already enjoy they can cause an apparent depression and buy shares about as cheap as they please. If they want to realize they can make things as good as they please and unload at high prices.

"The vice president of the Union Pacific Railroad Company stated in his evidence the other day," the Times goes on, "that he did not know what had become of $100,000,000 raised by a bond issue in 1901. If he did know and would not tell, the conference is any more satisfactory.

"It is already evident that operations of this kind are familiar to Mr. Harriman, and we may expect a good many more disclosures. The whole interests of the shareholders, even in the largest lines, are mere gambling counters in the hands of the possessors of enormous wealth amassed by downright plunder.

"Mr. Hill has just announced that $1,000,000,000 is required at once to provide additional trackage and terminals. The present prosperity of the country is clearly not to be allowed to escape heavy tolls to the millionaires—that is, if the public can be induced to find the money and place it under their manipulation."

CLAIM SHE GAVE BAD CHECK.

New York Police Arest Miss Brown. Says She Lives in Washington.

New York, Jan. 16.—Miss Elizabeth K. Brown, who said she owns a rich mine in Leadville, Colo., and gave her home as Washington, D. C., was held in $500 bail by Magistrate Whitman in the West Sire Police Court this morning for examination to-morrow on a charge of giving a worthless check in payment of a bill at the Hotel Astor.

"This arrest is outrageous," said Miss Brown, as she was brought into court. "I offered to pay the bill at the Hotel Astor this morning and it was refused. I intend to bring suit for damages against this hotel for defamation of character as soon as I possibly can. My father, who died two years ago, was in the House of Representatives for forty years as reporter of debates. The Killingsworth mine I own in Leadville has just started to bring me in an income of $25,000 a month."

George W. Avery, clerk at the Hotel Astor, was the complainant. He said that Miss Brown had run a bill of $74.59 at the Hotel Astor from December 30 to January 6, in payment of which she gave a check for $66.59 on the American Security and Trust Company, of Washington, which proved to be worthless.

Inquiry of the officials of the American Security and Trust Company elicited the statement that Miss Brown was not known by them.

S. OF A. R. ENTERTAIN.

Give Largely Attended Reception at Rauscher's Hall.

A reception and entertainment was given by the Sons of the American Revolution at Rauscher's last night.

Invocation was offered by the Rev. Dr. Childs, chaplain of the society, and was followed by the presentation of the colors by Copatriot Witten. A programme of vocal and instrumental numbers was given by Mrs. William Keye Miller, T. Brooke Amiss, jr., and S. Frederick Smith. This was followed by addresses by the Hon. Seth Shepard, chief justice of the District Supreme Court, and Hon. James T. DuBois.

The reception and floor committee consisted of Louis Addison Dent, chairman; William Hamilton Bayly, and John Speed Smith, vice chairmen.

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WEATHER CONDITIONS.

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, Weather Bureau,
Washington, Wednesday, Jan. 16, 1907.—8 p. m.

The Ohio River at Cincinnati to-night has reached a stage of 55.5 feet, 3.5 feet above the flood stage, and still rising steadily. Additional warnings were issued Wednesday morning to prepare for still higher stages, and further warnings for above flood stages Thursday below Cincinnati. It is still raining in the Ohio Valley, and more rain is indicated for Thursday. This will render the situation still more serious below the mouth of the Little Kanawha River, and preparations should be made for severe floods. The Mississippi below Cairo is above flood stages over practically its entire length, and the additional rise now coming down the Ohio will prolong and accentuate the lower Mississippi flood conditions. Warnings to prepare for these flood stages were issued about one week ago, and additional warnings, giving specific information as to stages expected will be issued in ample time.

There have been general snows and rains east of the Rocky Mountains, except in New England, Eastern New York, and the South, due to an extensive cold, high pressure area over the Northeast and a disturbance over the Southwest that extends northwestward through the Middle Plateau to the Pacific coast. Local snows also continue in the Middle and Southern plateau.

It is decidedly colder in New England, the Middle Atlantic States, and the Eastern Lower Lake region, with temperatures ranging 10 to 32 degrees below the seasonal average. It is much warmer in the Lower Ohio Valley and the Southwest. In the Northwest temperatures are still generally below zero, although there has been some moderations since Tuesday night.

The eastward drift of the southwestern disturbance will cause a continuance of rains and snows Thursday in the Lower Missouri and Lower Arkansas valleys, and also from the Mississippi Valley eastward, except in Northern New England and the southern portion of the South Atlantic States. There will also be snow over the northern and rain over the southern districts east of the Mississippi River on Friday. There will be snow Thursday in the Middle plateau, and rain or snow Thursday and Friday from Northern California northward. In the Northwest the weather will be generally fair.

It will be warmer Friday in New England and the Middle Atlantic States.

The winds along the New England coast will be fresh to brisk northeasterly; on the Middle and South Atlantic coasts fresh northeast to east; on the Gulf coast light to fresh and mostly southerly, and on Lake Michigan fresh to brisk east to north.

Steamers departing Thursday for European ports will have fresh northeasterly winds and probably snow to the Grand Banks.

Special Forecast.

Storm warnings are displayed on the California coast.

Local Temperatures.

Midnight, 35; 2 a. m., 34; 4 a. m., 33; 6 a. m., 32; 8 a. m., 30; 10 a. m., 28; 12 noon, 28; 2 p. m., 27; 4 p. m., 26; 6 p. m., 25; 8 p. m., 25; 10 p. m., 24. Maximum, 35; minimum, 24.

Relative humidity—8 a. m., 65; 2 p. m., 88; 8 p. m., 87. Rainfall, .28; hours of sunshine, 0; per cent of possible sunshine, 0.

Temperature same date last year—Maximum, 58; minimum, 38.

Temperatures in Other Cities.

Temperatures in other cities, together with the amount of rainfall for the twelve hours ended at 8 p. m. yesterday, are as follows:

	Max.	Min.	8 p. m.	Rainfall.
Asheville, N. C.	62	46	48	....
Atlanta, Ga.	74	58	64	....
Atlantic City, N. J.	28	24	26	0.06
Bismarck, N. Dak.	—2	—16	—12	0.02
Boston, Mass.	14	—6	6	....
Buffalo, N. Y.	16	10	10	0.01
Chicago, Ill.	30	24	30	0.14
Cincinnati, Ohio	38	32	36	0.24
Cheyenne, Wyo.	38	16	24	....
Davenport, Iowa	28	18	28	T.
Denver, Colo.	36	10	30	....
Des Moines, Iowa	28	12	24	T.
Galveston, Tex.	74	66	70	....
Helena, Mont.	0	—12	—4	....
Indianapolis, Ind.	34	28	34	0.24
Jacksonville, Fla.	74	56	66	....
Kansas City, Mo.	30	18	30	0.16
Little Rock, Ark.	64	42	62	T.
Marquette, Mich.	18	4	16	....
Memphis, Tenn.	66	42	66	0.01
New Orleans, La.	78	64	70	....
New York, N. Y.	26	20	24	....
North Platte, Nebr.	24	10	16	....
Omaha, Nebr.	22	12	22	T.
Pittsburg, Pa.	28	24	26	0.16
Salt Lake City, Utah	38	22	28	T.
St. Louis, Mo.	36	26	34	0.70
St. Paul, Minn.	20	—8	18	T.
Springfield, Ill.	34	24	32	0.30
Vicksburg, Miss.	72	64	70	0.06

GIVE GRAFT EVIDENCE

New York Aldermen Unbosom to Grand Jury.

TWO SAID TO HAVE CONFESSED

Clifford Released on $10,000 Bail. Councilman Kuntze Clashes with Detectives in Attempting to Leave Witness Room—Political Leaders Summoned—Jerome Takes a Hand.

New York, Jan. 16.—There was a persistent report current about the Criminal Courts Building this afternoon that two of the five aldermen summoned before the grand jury in the aldermanic boodle matter have given sensational information.

The grand jury sat until late considering the charge that the municipal ownership aldermen were to be sold out by Clifford. It is said that the testimony given tends to substantiate the claim that Clifford could deliver some votes for $500 apiece.

In view of the alleged confessions, it is expected that more arrests will be made soon.

Locks Up Ten Aldermen Witnesses.

Five of the subpoenaed aldermen were examined by the grand jury this afternoon. Later they were taken to Assistant District Attorney Perkins' office and there detained, for what purpose could not be learned. Alderman Cornelius D. Noonan was in consultation with Mr. Smythe for more than an hour and a half during the afternoon.

Following an encounter in the Criminal Courts building this afternoon between Alderman Charles Kuntze and County Detective Brennan, the ten aldermen subpoenaed to appear before the grand jury in connection with the alleged attempt to buy votes were virtually made prisoners in an anteroom adjoining the grand jury chamber pending their examination.

This action was preceded by drastic measures on the part of the detectives in dealing with Kuntze when he endeavored to leave the room, the alderman being carried bodily back into the room to wait until he was called.

Clifford Gives $10,000 Bond.

William S. Clifford, a Long Island City alderman, who was arrested on a charge of accepting $6,000 to influence his colleagues to vote as directed, was arraigned in the West Side Police Court this afternoon and held in $10,000 bail for further examination January 23. Later he was released on bail, furnished by Samuel John, owner of the Occidental Hotel, and John J. White, a sporting man.

In court Clifford had nothing to say.

At the Criminal Courts building all the aldermen subpoenaed by District Attorney Jerome were in the ante-room awaiting examination, when the encounter occurred between Kuntze and the detectives. The trouble arose when Kuntze attempted to leave the room, and was halted at the door by Brennan.

Alderman Kuntze Tries to Leave.

"Hold on there; where are you going?" asked the detective.

"I'm going out. What's the matter?" inquired Kuntze.

"You can't do it; you'll have to come back."

"Well, I won't go back; I'm not under arrest, and I can go wherever I have a mind to."

Brennan did not stop to argue the point any longer, but, laying his hand on the alderman's shoulder, pulled him back into the room. Kuntze resisted and fought to force his way into the corridor. Several other detectives came to Brennan's assistance, and the belligerent city official was quickly overpowered.

Then the door was slammed shut and locked, making those in the antechamber virtually prisoners.

Alderman James C. Meyers, Republican candidate for recorder, was subpoenaed by the district attorney, and testified before the grand jury. Before going into the juryroom he said: "There have been persistent rumors afloat that my friends had been approached by Clifford. If that is so, none of them has spoken to me about the matter."

Jerome Takes Charge of Case.

Alderman C. B. Noonan appeared in the anteroom of the grand jury room and joined his waiting conferees. Through his counsel, the alderman said he had not been subpoenaed, but that he had come to the criminal court to see if he was wanted. He denied that he had any knowledge of any wrongdoing.

Subpoenas were also issued for Chairman De Braggia of the Kings County Republican committee; Collin H. Woodward, a former alderman and now deputy superintendent of elections, and Herbert Parsons, chairman of the Republican county committee. All these papers were served except that for Parsons, who is now in Washington.

District Attorney Jerome arrived this morning from Albany and took charge of the case, and will conduct it personally. The questions which will be asked the aldermen and other witnesses are:

"Why did you vote for Cowing?"

"What was the inducement?"

"Who suggested his name?"

District Attorney Jerome said to-day the reason ex-Judge Cowing was selected as a candidate whose name should be used in the case, was that he was so pre-eminently beyond the suggestion of approach that he would not in any way be injured by the prominence into which it brings him.

Appointments Confirmed.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 16.—The senate to-day confirmed the appointment of David Martin to be insurance commissioner by a vote of 36 to 6. The appointments of Robert McAfee to be secretary of the commonwealth; M. Hampton Todd to be attorney general, and Thomas J. Stewart to be adjutant general, were confirmed unanimous by the senate. A large number of reform bills were introduced in both houses. These appointments were announced by the house slate committee: Chief clerk, Thomas Garvin, Delaware County; assistant chief clerk, James M. Moore, Butler; resident clerk, Charles Johnson, Montgomery; assistant resident clerk, George E. Cooper, Dauphin; journal clerk, J. F. Falkenstein, Allegheny; assistant journal clerk, S. Depiero, Luzerne; reading clerk, A. L. Campbell, Chester; desk clerk, A. L. Welch, Huntington, and George Huber, Lancaster.

Shah to Be Crowned Saturday.

Teheran, Persia, Jan. 16.—The new Shah will be crowned on next Saturday. A Mohammedan festival was favored by the clergy, but the plan was overruled by the Shah, who is very anxious to get the ceremony over with, and the festival would have taken several days.

Senator Frye Wins Again.

Augusta, Me., Jan. 16.—William P. Frye, president pro tem. of the United States Senate, was to-day re-elected to the Senate by the legislature for the sixth time.

EXPLOSION KILLS FIVE.

Boiler of Freight Engine Lets Go with Fatal Results.

Norristown, Pa., Jan. 16.—Five men were killed in the explosion of the boiler of a freight engine at Bridgeport to-day. The dead are:

Conductor, Charles Stein; fireman, John Noblock; brakeman, Roy Scheder; brakeman, Elmer Kane, all of Allentown, and an unknown man in charge of a stock car.

Low water in the boiler is believed to have been the cause of the accident. All the men were riding in the cab when the accident happened. Scheder's body was torn to fragments. The others were scalded to death or killed by the shock. The rear portion of the boiler was hurled 150 yards away, while the locomotive wheels remained on the tracks.

Engineer J. D. Blank escaped miraculously. He declined to talk about the accident.

CUBAN EDITOR ASSAULTED.

Assailant Resents Publication of His Arrest at Cock Fight on Sunday.

Havana, Jan. 16.—Senor Coronado, editor of the newspaper El Discusion was attacked in his office to-day and badly beaten by Col. Mendiata to punish him for printing a story about the arrest of Mendiata, Gen. Jose Miguel, and other revolutionary leaders, at a cock fight, Sunday.

Col. Mendiata is the Liberal candidate for governor of Santa Clara province. El Rebeldo, organ of Gen. Miguel, to-day published a fierce attack on Coronado, and praises Col. Mendiata for whipping him. Gross insults are heaped on Coronado's brother, a writer on El Discusion.

BANK PRESIDENT STEPS DOWN

Controversy at Frederick Settled by Rev. Mr. Motter Resigning.

Senator Norwood Elected Head of the First National—Was Defeated Through Proxies.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Frederick, Md., Jan. 16.—As a result of the controversy over the presidency of the First National Bank in Frederick, Rev. Isaac M. Motter, who was recently elected president and Frank L. Stoner, who at the same time was elected a director, tendered their resignations at a meeting of the directors to-day.

Mr. Stoner's resignation was accepted, and ex-Senator Frank C. Norwood was elected to the vacancy. Rev. Mr. Motter's resignation as president was accepted, but his resignation as director was not accepted.

The trouble in the bank has been a topic generally discussed in business circles since the annual meeting, at which time President Norwood was dropped, and Rev. Mr. Motter elected in his place. Mr. Norwood was indignant over being displaced, and upon investigating the reason for his defeat found that it had been accomplished by the use of proxies.

According to Mr. Norwood, the proxies were not given to defeat him, but were to have been used in displacing another candidate. Senator Norwood spent several days away from the bank, and it was currently reported that he had laid the matter before Comptroller Ridgeley in Washington. The matter, however, came to a climax to-day, when Rev. Mr. Motter and Mr. Stoner resigned, and Senator Norwood was restored to the presidency.

FRENCH CATHOLICS WAIT.

Will Take No Action Until Bill Is Decided Upon.

Paris, Jan. 16.—The Journal says it understands that the bishops, at their meeting to-day, decided to await the result of M. Flandins' bill in regard to public meetings before deciding how far the Briand law may be used.

Cardinal Couille addressed the meeting, impressing upon the members the necessity for avoiding discussions and speeches, which would be liable to raise doubts in regard to the bishops' unanimity. He pointed out that the Pope did not desire that a solution be found, wishing to constrain France within an unknown time to make a new convention with the Pope or his successor. France, he said, had already yielded many points. He added:

"Let us see. There will be a solution when France goes to Rome."

A proposal was made that the cures take part in future assemblies, but this was objected to as the bishops represent the cures.

T. F. RYAN HEARD FROM.

Notifies His Brother-in-Law that He Is Coming Home.

Word was received from Thomas F. Ryan, who has been missing from his home, 1343 Emerson street northeast, for the last two weeks, saying that he was well, safe, and sound. A telegram was received by Dr. F. A. Schildroth, of 1707 I street northwest, a brother-in-law of Ryan.

Dr. Schildroth, when asked last night about Ryan's disappearance, refused to say where he was, or just why he had left his home without notifying his relatives. He stated that Ryan had started for this city and would reach here some time to-day.

SUE ROADS FOR CAR SHORTAGE.

Independent Coal Operators Accuse Lines of Discrimination.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 16.—A long battle between giants over car shortage was instituted in the United States court here to-day, when the Coal Shippers' Association, representing 65 per cent of the independent operators in Maryland, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and $60,000,000 of capital, instituted suit against the Baltimore and Ohio and the Cumberland and Pennsylvania Railroads, and about forty coal companies, said to be allied with the railroads.

The suit is brought by the Pitcairn Coal Company, of West Virginia. The specific charge is that the Pitcairn corporation has not received its percentage of the car supply, and the allegation is made that the Baltimore and Ohio favors the Consolidation, Somerset, and Fairmont Coal companies, the Clarksburg Fuel Company, and the Pittsburg, and the Fairmont Fuel Company.

It was supposed that the Baltimore and Ohio recently disposed of its holdings in these corporations, but the petition of the independents say the road still owns the interests mentioned.

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MANY GIVEN MEDALS

Carnegie Hero Fund Commission's Awards.

UTAH MAN HEADS THE LIST

Is Given $2,000 for Educational Purposes, with Silver Medal for Rescuing Girl from Drowning—Prizes Awarded for Bravery Total More Than $8,710—List of Seventeen.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 16.—The third award of medals by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission was made to-day, the awards being as follows:

Thomas A. Harris, Ogden, Utah, rescued girl from drowning; silver medal and $2,000 for educational purposes.

George M. Powell, Grand Island, Nebr., rescued boy from railroad track; bronze medal and $250 for mortgage on holdings.

Herman D. Peitzel, Butler Station, Mo., drowned while attempting rescue of boy in swimming pool; $1,500 and silver medal to widow.

Luther M. Wagner, Milton, Pa., drowned while attempting to rescue boy at Sangamon River; silver medal and $500 to widow.

James E. Harris, Trenton, Tenn., drowned while attempting to rescue companions while they were fishing and fell in the water, silver medal and $1,500 to widow.

Herman Zick, Athens, Wis., lost life while attempting to save companion in bathing. Widow received $1,500 and silver madal.

Theodore Boettcher, Belville, Ill., rescued companions from mine, $850 and silver medal.

Mary G. Black, killed while attempting to save woman companion at Parksville, Mo., $250 and silver medal to father of deceased.

B. F. Willis, Rushville, Mo., drowned while attempting to rescue girl at Leavenworth, Kans., annuity of $360 a year and silver medal to parents.

James Lukins, Petersburg, Ill., drowned while trying to rescue girl from drowning, silver medal to father.

Charles L. Harris, Emporia, Kans., rescued boy from drowning, silver medal.

Jewell H. Reed, St. Louis, Mo., attempt to rescue two women from burning building, St. Charles, Mo., silver medal to father.

Cline Horton, Astoria, Ohio, rescued boy who had fallen through ice, bronze medal.

John H. Young, Bryant, Ill., rescued companion from drowning in lake, silver medal.

Leo H. Mokes, Sioux City, Iowa, rescued children from in front of train, bronze medal.

Morris A. Mourse, Des Moines, Iowa, saved boy from drowning, bronze medal.

Samuel M. Stowe, Oregon City, rescued fellow-workman who had fallen into river, bronze medal.

BARKER-SHEPARD WEDDING.

Ceremony Performed in Church of the Incarnation, New York.

New York, Jan. 16.—The wedding of Miss Irene Fitch Shepard and Burrill Devereux Barker took place this afternoon in the Church of the Incarnation, Madison avenue and Thirty-fifth street. The Rev. Dr. William Mercer Grosvenor, the rector, performed the ceremony.

The bride wore a costume of white satin with old point lace and orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley. Miss Dorothy B. Shepard, who attended her sister as maid of honor, wore a white chiffon cloth gown. The bridesmaids, who carried pink roses, were similarly attired in pink chiffon cloth. These were the Misses Alice Shepard, of Washington, a cousin of the bride; Elizabeth Barker, a sister of the bridegroom; Marion Jeffries, of Boston, and Margaret Scott, of New York. Mary Vogel was the flower maiden. Dr. John Dunlop, of Washington, assisted as best man, and Archibald Monks, jr., Arthur N. Rice, Francis Nichols, Henry Palmer, and Henry Shattuck, of Boston, and Anton Schefer, of New York, were ushers.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Vogel, the bride's stepfather and mother, gave a reception after the church ceremony at their home, 106 East Thirty-seventh street.

JURY EXONERATES HARRIS.

Decides that Death of Miss Katie Shatt was Accidental.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Elkton, Jan. 16.—After being in session for several hours last night, the coroner's jury rendered a verdict that Miss Katie Shatt, the seventeen-year-old girl who was shot on Grove Neck farm on Monday night, came to her death from gunshot wounds at the hands of George Harris, and they believed the girl's death was accidental, exonerating Harris from criminal blame.

Harris is very much affected by Miss Shatt's death, as the couple were to have been married last week, but Miss Shatt's wedding garments were destroyed in the fire that consumed the Wilson Merritt property, near Cecilton, about ten days ago.

OLD WAREHOUSE BURNED.

Capitol Street Building Destroyed by Fire of Unknown Origin.

The row of brick buildings on North Capitol street, between E and F streets, which have so often before been the scene of fires, was again visited by a blaze last night. About 10:65 o'clock fire was discovered in the second-story of the building used as a warehouse for the M. G. Copeland Company, of 409 Eleventh street northwest. Before the engines reached the scene the whole structure was a mass of flames. Chief Belt immediately sent in a second and third alarms. The building was filled with packing boxes and loose lumber, which burned fiercely, and in a few minutes after the arrival of the department the front wall of the building fell in.

The two buildings to the south of the burned structure, which are occupied by the J. C. MacFarland Company, were not damaged except by water. The burned building, which was owned by A. Kerry, of 135 Twelfth street southeast, was completely destroyed, causing a loss of about $3,000, which is partly covered by insurance. The building occupied by the MacFarland company sustained a loss of $300. The cause of the fire is not known, although it is thought it was started by tramps.

YOUNG WOMAN KILLED.

Shot by Gun Accidentally Knocked Over While She was Sweeping.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Leonardtown, Md., Jan. 16.—Mrs. Mary E. Raley, wife of Daniel Burroughs Raley, of Medleys Neck, was accidentally shot and killed on Monday.

She knocked over a shotgun while sweeping a room, when the weapon was discharged, killing her instantly. She was eighteen years old, and had been married a short time.

MOVE IN HUGHES WILL CASE

Attorney Gittings to Present Answer to Judge Gould To-day.

Why Papers Should Be Filed in New York City Instead of District.

Another move in the Mrs. Louise Beauchamp Hughes will controversy will be made this morning, when Attorney John C. Gittings, representing Mrs. E. G. Niles, will present before Judge Gould his answer to show cause why the mutilated document supposed to be an early will of Mrs. Hughes should not be filed for probate in the District instead of in New York City, as he proposes.

In his answer to Judge Gould's ruling Attorney Gittings states that the document dated March 3, 1903, was given to him by the executrix of the late E. G. Niles to be held until the death of Mrs. Hughes, when it was to be delivered to the proper custodian in New York, where the executrix, Mrs. Niles, said she understood the domicile of Mrs. Hughes to be.

Attorney Gittings then sets forth in his statement how he found the mutilated paper that appeared to be a portion of a will made by Mrs. Hughes in 1898. This document named Judge Kimball and W. H. Sholes as executors. Attorney Gittings states that he told Judge Kimball and Mr. Sholes about the mutilated will, and that he intended to file it in New York City. This plan, he states in his answer, was acquiesced in by the executors of the mutilated document.

Later Attorney Gittings was petitioned by Judge Kimball and Mr. Sholes to file the document in the District. His reply, according to the answer to Judge Gould, was that he would put the mutilated document and the will of 1903 together and file it in the Surrogate Court of New York City.

The petitioners set forth that Mrs. Hughes' domicile was the District of Columbia, which Attorney Gittings states he was unaware of. The attorney lays stress, in touching upon this point, upon the fact that when the equity suit regarding Mrs. Niles' title was brought by the United States Trust Company, of New York, the committee for the estate of Mrs. Hughes, it was then claimed that Mrs. Hughes' domicile was in New York City.

Attorney Gittings closes his answer with an expression of his willingness to file the documents in question in the District should the court so desire.

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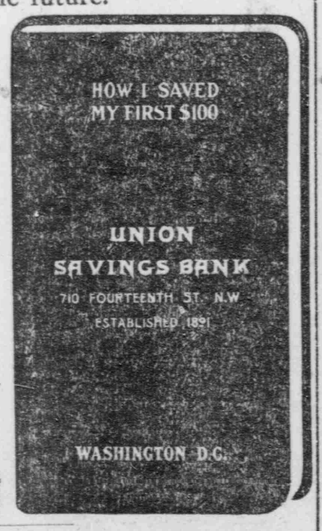

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